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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

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FOR: CUSHION STRUCTURE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD AND APPARATUS OF THE SAME

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## Enclosed are:

- □ 7 sheets of □ formal □ informal drawings.
- ☑ A Notice of Priority in order to claim priority date of December 28, 1999.
- An assignment to Asahi Gomu Kako Co., Ltd.
- ☑ An Information Disclosure Statement with PTO Form 1449.
- ☑ An executed declaration
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Respectfully submitted,

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